

RE - YR 3 - Why are presents given at Christmas? Autumn C

Basic Skills

Key Language & Vocabulary	Frankincense	Priest
Christians	Myrrh	Magi
Christmas	Gold	Mission
Believe	Commercialisation	Value
Jesus	Salvation	Worth

Values

The value this half term is courage.

Rich Learning Experiences

Key Learning Objectives

To make links between clues within the story and what Christians believe about Jesus

To decide which parts of the celebration of Christmas maintain the true meaning of Christmas for a Christian and why

To make links between what they suggest Jesus might think about Christmas and over-commercialisation

To say what made them choose their gift, linking it with the learning in this unit

Key Knowledge and Skills

The significance of the gifts and what they say about Christian belief about Jesus

Gold – a gift for a king

Frankincense – for a priest

Myrrh – for burial

To know that Christians believe:

- that God values human beings above anything else, which is why Jesus came, as a gift, to earth
- that Christmas has become over-commercialised, which detracts from its true meaning

Cross-curricular Links

Enrichment Opportunities ('Learning in Action')

Christmas production

Learnacy & Y Factor

What might Jesus think of the Christmas we celebrate today?

Would you change anything about the way that Christmas is celebrated?

Should only people who are Christians celebrate Christmas? Why?

What things could we give at Christmas that have a non-monetary sense of value?

Are there 'good deeds' that we can give as presents, or attitudes that we can 'wrap' that might be worth more than money to our family and friends?